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Judicial Committee Members

RE: Bill No: **HB 5488** 

An Act Concerning Healthcare Coverage for Probate Court Personnel

Dear Judicial Committee Members:

My name is Michelle J. Considine, I am a resident of Torrington and I've worked for the Torrington Area Probate Court for eight years. I would like to ask for your full support for HB 5488, an act concerning healthcare coverage for Probate Court personnel.

This bill will align the cost of dependent healthcare coverage for probate employees and Judges with the terms and conditions of all other employees governed by the state healthcare plan in the same statute. As it stands now, the Probate Court employees are the only employees that pay a higher premium for dependent healthcare.

If statute changes, and bill HB 5488 is passed, employees and their families will have better access to healthcare. Please support this bill; it is very important to me and my family. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely; Michelle J. Considine